Patent claims

1. An endoprosthesis for replacing an ankle joint, comprising a lower component (4) which is to be connected to the ankle bone (2) and which forms a top slide surface (10), an upper component (3) which forms a bottom slide surface (7) and which has an upper connection surface (23) for connection to a resection surface (25) of the shin bone, and an intermediate part which has two slide surfaces (15, 16) interacting with the slide surfaces (7, 10) of the upper and lower components (3, 4), characterized in that the upper component (3) is wedge-shaped in sagittal section between its bottom slide surface (7) and its top connection surface (23) and/or the intermediate part (5) is wedge-shaped in sagittal section or frontal section between its slide surfaces (15, 16).

2. The endoprosthesis as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the interacting slide surfaces (10, 16) on the lower component (4) and the intermediate part (5) interact substantially nonrotatably with respect to the vertical axis.

3. The endoprosthesis as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the interacting slide surfaces (7, 15) on the upper component (4) and the intermediate part (5) interact rotatably with respect to the vertical axis.

4. The endoprosthesis as claimed in one of claims 1 through 3, characterized in that the wedge angle (19, 22) is between 1° and 16°.

5. The endoprosthesis as claimed in one of claims 1 through 4, characterized in that the wedge-shaped

component (3) is made up of a wedge part (26), available with a varying wedge angle, and of a standard part (25).

6. A system of endoprostheses for replacing the ankle joint, comprising a lower component (4) which is to be connected to the ankle bone (2) and which forms a top slide surface (10), an upper component (3) which forms a bottom slide surface (7) and which has a connection surface (23) for connection to a resection surface (25) of the shin bone (1), and an intermediate part (5) which has two slide surfaces (15, 16) interacting with the slide surfaces (7, 10) of the upper and lower components (3, 4), the system including normal upper components and intermediate parts whose top face and bottom face have a substantially parallel overall course, characterized in that it includes corrective components which can be used in exchange for the normal upper components (3) and which are wedge-shaped in the sagittal plane and/or frontal plane between their top and bottom faces (7, 23) and/or corrective intermediate parts which can be used in exchange for the normal intermediate parts (5) and which, between their top face (15) and the overall course of the bottom face (16), are wedge-shaped in the sagittal plane compared to the normal intermediate parts (5).